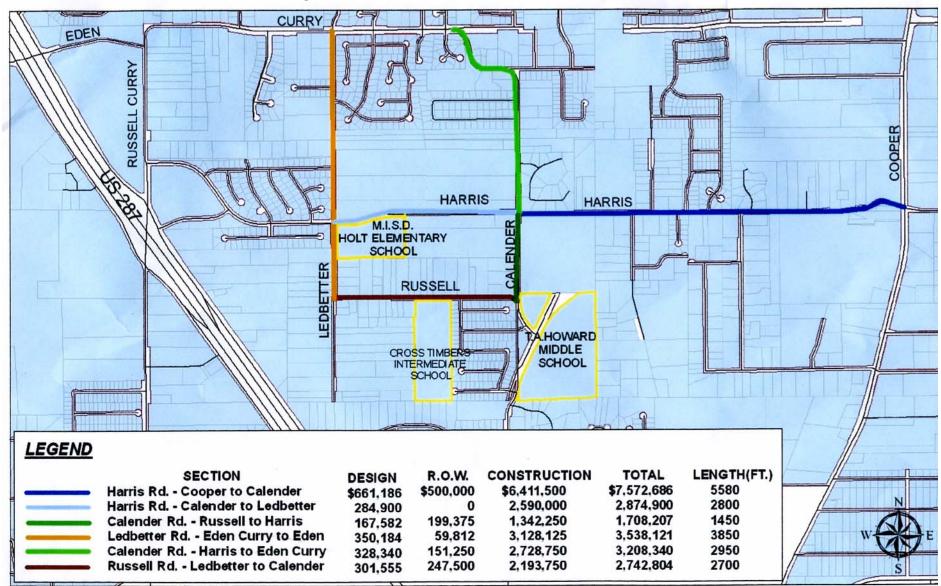
The Tri-School area - with only unimproved county roads and few sidewalks. Where children in neighborhoods within one half mile of schools are being bussed due to unsafe road conditions



Statistics

Holt Elementary School

- Pre-K through 4th grade
- Located off Ledbetter Road and future Harris Road
- Opened in 2007
- Present enrollment 600 students
- Capacity without portables 721 students

Cross Timbers Intermediate School

- 5th and 5th grades
- Located off Russell Road
- Opened in 1994
- Present enrollment 950 students
- Maximum past enrollment 1250 students

T.A. Howard Middle School

- 7th and 8th grades
- Located adjacent to future Bowen Road
- Opened in 1994
- Present enrollment 1000 students
- Maximum past enrollment 1250 students

Intersection of Harris and Calender Road looking north

– note sharp turning radius – truck, or school bus, must
turn into on coming traffic to make the turn





Intersection of Harris and Calender looking east down Harris – note brush in ditch – car mirrors hit the bamboo thus causing cars to move to middle of road and into ditch children sometimes use to walk to school – the curve on the south side has been widened, but busses lean as they turn



Calender Road looking south – note only ditches until intersection of Russell and Calender – also note sign showing cars not to park near intersection due to short radius corners that hinder turning busses



Intersection of Calender and Russell Roads – looking east on Russell – note poor road condition and short turning radius for bus traffic



Intersection of Calender and Russell Roads – note attempt by city to correct turn radius on south side – effort was limited due to ditch – busses lean as they take this corner



Looking east down Russell Road from Calender intersection – concrete sidewalk adjacent to neighborhood – stops at Cross Timbers Intermediate



Looking west down Russell Road from Ledbetter intersection – note asphalt sidewalk to Cross Timbers Intermediate



Looking north on Ledbetter Road – note asphalt "sidewalk" adjacent to the road – with obstacles such as a stop sign, mailboxes and recycle bins forcing children into the street – only a painted line protects them from being hit by cars that must drive close to the edge while passing other cars



Lower slide shows area with loose gravel where children could slip and fall if they are running home – possibly falling into the path of a car that cannot stop in time



Looking north down Ledbetter from Russell Road – note trees and brush on east side that forces traffic into oncoming traffic



Looking north on Ledbetter – note road drop off in both slides – drop off in picture on the left drops sharply into ditch – drop off in picture on the right drops to area recently filled with rock due to hazardous conditions



Looking north on Ledbetter – again note poor road condition and worn area off the road where cars are forced to drive due to the narrow road where cars are unable to pass safely with oncoming traffic



Intersection of Ledbetter and Curry Roads - looking south on Ledbetter – note neighborhood street is wider than road school busses must turn onto – also note obstacles and brush on west side which blocks view



Looking west on Curry Road – note this is a blind spot for traffic heading east – approaching cars do not see traffic turning at the Curry and Ledbetter intersection until it is almost too late



Intersection of Curry and Ledbetter looking east down Curry – note how far cars must pull forward to see past the brush on the west side of Ledbetter – busses must turn very slowly to avoid hitting these cars or busses and still stay on the road – not unusual for busses to be in this intersection for a prolonged period trying to make this corner – also note the wider turning radius of the neighborhood street across Curry as required by the city for trucks and busses



Intersection of Curry and Ledbetter Roads – again note how wide the city required the neighborhood street to be built as compared to the unimproved county road that busses must travel every day to reach Holt Elementary and Cross Timbers Intermediate - the edge of south Ledbetter isn't even visible in the right picture

